

# Looking at my own life quality

## About CHOICE in your life...

### Are you able to tell someone about the things you want and need in your life?

Things to think about: Are you able to talk to others about what you like and want? Who listens to you? If there are things you don't like, who do you talk to?

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### Do you make big, important decisions for yourself?

Things to think about: Did you choose where you live? Did you choose where you work or go to school? Do you choose how to spend your money?

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### Do you make everyday decisions for yourself?

Things to think about: Who decides what you do during the day? Who decides things like what you wear, what you eat, what time you go to bed? Who decides what you do in your free time?

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### Do you choose what services you use?

Things to think about: How do you choose what community services (for example: gas station, grocery store, bank) you will use?

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### Do you choose when to change your services?

Things to think about: Have you ever changed community services? Why did you change? How did that change work out?

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## How to Use the Guides and Checklists

You can complete the planning guide or checklist in this section online:

Click in the text box next to the question and type in your answer;  
OR  
Click in the box in front of a statement or question.

The completed guide or checklist can be printed out. You can also save or update your answers; you **MUST** save the file to your computer to save or update. Go to the last page of this section for complete directions.

What are your thoughts about your life quality when it comes to CHOICE?

Who can help you?

When will you do it?

Look back at your answers to these questions. What support will you ask for?

## About RELATIONSHIPS in your life

### Do you have friends and people who care about you?

Things to think about: Who are your friends? Who do you talk to on the phone? What kinds of things do you and your friends do together? What do you do for vacations? If you have a girlfriend, boyfriend, or are married, are there people around you who support your relationship?

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### Do you have friends you can count on?

Things to think about: Where do you meet new people? Have you have had a chance to make friends there? In your neighborhood or when you go out, have you met someone who later became your friend? Do you stay in touch with your friends? If not, why not? Who do you talk to when you're sad, or upset or have a problem?

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## About your LIFESTYLE

### Do you feel that you are a part of your community?

Things to think about: What places do you go in your town? Who do you usually go with? How do you get there? How do you find out what is going on in your town?

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### Do you do things that are important to you, your family and your heritage?

Things to think about: What are some of the things your family does at holidays or special occasions? Are there people around you who share your language and your culture?

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### Are you able to do things for yourself as much as you would like to?

Things to think about: What things do you do for yourself? Do you need support to do things for yourself? What kinds of things or equipment would help you get around better or do more on your own?

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### Are you living where you want to live?

Things to think about: If you wanted to move, what would you do? What are some of the best things about where you live? Do you feel that you can be by yourself when you want to?

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What are your thoughts about your life quality when it comes to L I F E S T Y L E ?

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## About your HEALTH and WELL-BEING?

### Do you feel safe?

Things to think about: Do you feel safe at home and in your neighborhood? If something dangerous happened, what would you do? What would you do if there was a fire, earthquake or flood? If somebody tried to hurt you what would you do? Who would you go to for help?

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### Are you healthy?

Things to think about: What do you do to stay healthy? Do you play sports or exercise? Do you take any medicines? If so, do you take them as directed? Who decides what you eat? If you want information about being healthy or safer, where would you get it?

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### What would you do if something happened to you?

Things to think about: Who takes care of you when you get sick? Have you had other things happen to you (like an accident or a crime)? What did you do? Who would you go to if you needed help?

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### Do you have a regular doctor or dentist?

Things to think about: Do you have a regular doctor and dentist? How often do you see your doctor or dentist? Does your doctor or dentist talk to you about what's going on with your health? Who else helps when you are sick or need to make medical decisions?

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What are your thoughts about your life quality when it comes to HEALTH and WELL-BEING?

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## About your RIGHTS?

### Do you feel free to live your life like others?

Things to think about: What are your rights and responsibilities as a citizen? Does anything stop you from doing things or going places when you want?

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### Do you feel afraid of things in your life?

Things to think about: Are there times when you are worried or are afraid of things in your life? When? Do you feel that people take advantage of you or treat you poorly?

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### Do people treat you well?

Things to think about: How do people generally treat you? Are there times when you are not treated well or with respect?

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### Do you get the kinds of community services that everyone gets?

Things to think about: Are there community services that you would like, but can't get? Why? Are there places in the community that you would like to go, but you can't? Why?

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### If you want help getting the things you need, do you know where to get it?

Things to think about: If you ever needed something important like medical help, counseling or legal advice, and couldn't get it, what would you do?

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## **Your SATISFACTION with your life quality?**

### **Are you happy with what you can do for yourself?**

Things to think about: Are there things that you have learned for personal growth or for fun? Are there things that you would like to learn for personal growth or for fun?

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### **Are you happy with your community services?**

Things to think about: Are there things you would like to change about the services (for example: bank, grocery store, park) you use in your community? If so, have you ever talked to anyone about it?

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### **Are you happy with your life now?**

Things to think about: What are the good things that are happening in your life today? Could things be better?

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